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SERVICE THAT EVERY SERVICE TO SERVICE THE	and the same
Official Vote of Columbus	County
GOVFRNOR.	
Merrimon,	1,024
Caldwell,	693
Merrimon's majority	331
CONGRESS.	
Waddell,	1,026
McKay,	675
Waddell's majority,	351
SENATE.	
Ellis,	959
Norment,	638
Ellis' majority,	321
HOUSE OF REPRESENTA	TIVES.
Richardson,	938
Williamson,	645
Richardson's majority,	293

How is This?

In Bladen county the voting strength is put down at 2,610. The number of votes actually east is 2,656.

In Cumberland county the voting strength is put down at 3,452. The number of votes actually cast is 3,773.

In Duplin county the voting population is put down at 2,959. The number of votes actually east is 3,485.

In Franklin county the voting strength is put down at 2,770. The number of votes actually east is 3,035.

votes cast for Governor in the late election | by our friends outside of the State.

county the Registration books were said to be that we were able to do so well. have been lost!

put down at 2,181. The number of votes | ple of North Carolina have entered their | Philadelphia brethren, have resolved to cast is 2,577! This increase is in part, most solemn protest against the fraud and count him out is equally clear. The Adhowever, accounted for by the recent an- cheat sought to be practised upon them, much less a Southern one; nor will the nexation of a part of Edgecombe county and have appealed to the proper tribunal Conservatives be permitted to record of This action of the Conservative press re-

In Northampton county the voting strength is put down at 2,901. The number of votes actually cast is 3,085. In Robeson county the voting strength

is put down at 3,043. The number of votes actually cast is 3,214. In Sampson county the voting strength

is put down at 2,986. The vote actually all the circumstances, the country had a

The Radical party cannot derive much consolation from the result of the recent election. In its most favorable aspect for that party it can be considered as but little better than a drawn battle.

When it is remembered that the State was virtually held under military rule; that the Federal office-holders, the Federal soldiers and the carpet-baggers, with the solid vote of the negro population, were all for the Republican ticket; that a large amount of Federal money was thrown into the State and corruptly used in the payment of doubtful voters: that the so miserably poor under the Southern policy of the Republican Congress as to make a few dollars a material object to many thousands of them; that the grossest frauds were pepetrated, both in registration and at the ballot-box; that wholesale intimidation, by means of Federal Court indictments, for alleged Ku-Kluxing and violations of the Revenue Laws in relation to the distillation of spirits and the manufacture of tobacco, the wonder is Carolina of the credit due them for a glorithat we did not meet with an overwhelming defeat. Instead of this, however, we have carried both branches of the Legislature and elected five members of Congress, and, in spite of all odds, have run the Governor so close that we look with confidence upon the success of our efforts to unseat him by the Legislature.

From every quarter come loud complaints of the frauds practised upon us. These complaints will, in due form and due time, be laid before the Legislature-the body empowered by the Constitution of the State to decide contested elections for officers upon the general State ticket.

Fortunately in this body we have a tribunal that will do us justice. From its decision there is and can be no appeal. If that body shall, in the exercise of its coustitutional right, decide that Judge Merrimon received a majority of the legal votes cast in the late election, not even the power of General Grant, backed by his horde of office-holders and spies and Marshals, can prevent him from taking his seat as Governor of North Carolina.

But there is more involved in this matter than the mere unscating of Caldwell and the installation of Merrimon. The purity and freedom of the ballot-box in all ages

to come, in North Carolina, are at stake. We trust and believe that the dawn of a new and a bester era in our political condition is at hand. This expectation, however, will never be realized if we allow the gross frauds recently perpetrated to pass unnoticed and unpunished.

If it appears that fraud, force and bribery can be used with impunity by a 'Federal administration, its officers, retainers and supporters, in controlling a State election, all hope for the better day that has been so long coming, vanishes at once.

It is for this reason that we have determined to urge Judge Merrimon and the other officers on our State ticket to take such steps as may be necessary to inform the people of the State and of the United States, that the so-called election of | The speakers and the actors, the adroit ac-Caldwell will be contested.

We do not regard this as an effort for mere partizan advantage. We regard it as a patriotic duty, the performance of which | nation that the continued repression of the is absointely and imperatively necessary for the preservation of the purity and freedom of the ballot box. The question is

one far above party or party advantage. In the Legislature we have a tribunal that is both intelligent and honest. The character of the men who have been elected to that body guarantees that their investigation and verdict will be fair and impartial. By that verdict we are willing to abide. We are not willing, however, to accept as offices,

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the verdict of the people of North Carolina, without protest and without investigation, an election so-called, that carries with it plain ear marks of force, fraud, intimida-

evidence in every case in which fraud, and force, and bribery, and intimidation have been resorted to for the purpose of influenquestion comes before the Legislature we may be ready with the proof.

duals may not escape their just punishment, let every guilty party be indicted in the proper courts.

selves, to our posterity, and to our State. and the election of five out of the eight If we fail in it, never again will we see an honest, fair election in North Carolina.

A friend writing from Macon gives us its completest triumph. the following returns of the official vote in that county : Merrimon 655, Caldwell 130. Conserv-

ative gain of 241 votes. For Congress-Vance 601, Chandler 204. For Representatives-Robinson, (con.) 592, Bryson, (con.) 251.

The conservatives also carried the Senatorial district by a large majority. Our informant adds: "We claim to be the banner county,' having given Merrimon over Tuesday. Monday and Tuesday came, c) per cent. of the entire vote cast."

The North Carolina Election-What is Thought of it in Other States.

We surrender much of our space this In Halifax county the voting strength is morning to extracts from our exchanges put down at 4,455. The actual number of showing how our late election is regarded

In Lenoir county the voting strength is nominal defeat upon the prospects of Mr. put down at 2,081. The number of votes Greeley. Wherever the report of this In Nash county the voting strength is go with it the announcement that the peo- That the Radicals, in imitation of their | Caldwell's Election to be Contested.

> [From the Norfolk Journal.] THE RESULT OF THE BATTLE BETWEEN returned as elected. THE ADVANCE GUARDS.

herself all she could accomplish but the tainly as Kentucky or Maryland, and howelection of Judge Merrimon; and for the ever the returns of the late election may the Union she has done more than, under | against Grant.

[From the Petersburg Progress.]

NORTH CAROLINA ELECTION. will be declared Governor of North Carolina-not, however, by the will of the majority of her people, but by fraud and talsehood, which the desperate exigencies of the Radical party rendered necessary to its

But on whichever side the official canvass may throw the meager majority, the Democrats and Liberals have done enough for the election. They have secured five out of eight Congressmen and have added another Democratic Senator to the little select body in Congress. More than all, they have satisfied the world that North people of North Carolina have been kept | Carolina is sure to vote against the reelection of Grant in November, and have | This gives them a member of the United thrown a wet blanket upon his prospects States Senate in place of Pool. Another county will pierce the Radical bladder and all over the Union.

[From the Richmond Dispatch.]

prive the Conservatives of the honor and November. the moral force of a great victory there. Though the corrupt Oaldwell-the pet of the Grant Administration-be elected, that cannot rob the independent people of North ous struggle against the rearful odds of the power and the money of the Federal Administration. They have carried the Legislature, which gives a Conservative United Stdtes Senator, and they have elected five out of eight members of Congress. These achievements are vastly preferable to the election of the Governor, while if the Radicals have elected that officer it is by such a smail majority that it looks very like defeat, and is, we are convinced, but a premonitory of their great defeat in Novem-

Never before in this country has there been such interference with State elections by the Federal Government. Through the Ku Klux prosecutions twelve or fifteen hundred persons were deprived of their votes, and some fifteen hundred young men were driven from the State by the "reign of terror" established there. Caldwell's majority (if he is elected) will not exceed half the number of those who were thus briven from the polls. What sort of victory would that be? A victory through an intolerable, and vicious, and sordid tyranny, that cannot fail to excite the indignation of good people everywhere-a tyranny over the Constitution and laws as well as the rights and

This North Carolina election is fatal to Radicalism. At last we have a presidential dictments that were held hanging over election in which there is a party at the their heads. It seemed to be as impossible party at the South. A blow struck at the latter is a blow that its felt by the former. to snatch this city government from the The great Liberal party at the North is grasp of Tammany three years ago. No making common cause with the Conserva- apprehension of a reverse was felt in the tive party at the South. The terrorism and republican camp, and if gigantic efforts bribery—the corrupt practices presorted to were put forth by that party in the canvass by the rederal Administration and it agents | it was rather with the object of making n North Carolina to stifle the voice of her their victory so overwhelming as to dismay people-will arouse the Liberal party at the North and fill their hearts with the that they were needed to keep the State in fire of liberty. They will go to the polls in republican line. Under these circumstan-November with the spirit of freemen, and ces the very closeness of the contest and with a resolution strengthened by the re- the uncertainty of the result is, in effect, a collection of the wrongs and outrages in- republican disaster, and will be so regarflicted upon their brothers of North Caro-

Turn out as it may, the North Carolina election is a great victory for the Conservatives and a great defeat for their Radicals. The canvass brought out the policy of the Administration of the repression and perecution of the South as indispensible to the prolongation of its power. Mr. Boutwell announced it, and 'the officers of the Covernment, with their spies, informers, and persecutors of all sorts, were actively engaged in putting this policy in force. cusers of the South and the merciless persecutors of her people, used all their power to check every impulse toward the reconciliation of the people and to convince the

North Carolina hrs thrown a flood of light upon the purposes and tyranny of the Administration. The election there is a triumph for Liberalism, and will give a new impulse to the ardent desire of the American people for "Reconciliation," Peace, and the restoration of the Government to the hands of eapable and patriotic men, who will administer it for the good of the people, and not, as it is now, for the

[From the Charleston Courier.] THE NORTH CAROLINA ELECTION AND IT

ENCOURAGING RESULTS. There is no reason why there should be any feeling of depression in reference to North Carolina. The Conservative-Dem-We urge therefore upon our people every- ocracy contended under fearful odds, such where to hunt up and put upon record the as to have induced from the beginning no hope, unless to those who felt the inspirawas but three weeks to work in since the cing the late election, so that when the adjournment of the Baltimore Convention. Conservative party may well feel proud.— Instead of a Radical majority of 18,641 in In addition to this, in order that indivi- 1868, when the last Governor was elected, nothing but an official count can now determine the result. A General Assembly largely Democratic-Conservative, which ensures the selection of a United States We owe this as a solemn duty to our- Senator in the piace of John Pool, Radical,

> The Administration has received a severe blow. It has been practically defeated where it placed its strongest hopes, used its most strenuous efforts, and boasted of [From the Philadelphia Evening Herald.]

WHAT OF NORTH CAROLINA? Those who have been taking note of the manner in which the returns of the North Carolina election have been announced can scarcely have failed to perceive that there was evident intention in the tardiness with which election intelligence from the interior counties of the State has been received. On Saturday morning a dispatch from Raleigh announced that few or no returns would be received before Monday or and with them the tidings that Merrimon's conceded majority of last week had been

rasped down here and there, until there

was not only nothing left of it, but that

Caldwell was really elected Governor. We say there was evident intention in this delay. Dishonest work was in progress. The strong Radical districts, the elections in which were of course in the hands of Radical officials, were made to When all the facts in the case shall have almost double their first reported majori- cepted) from the first Thursday in July, 1872 Be it remembered that it was in Halifax been laid before the public the wonder will ties, and this has been the case in almost every county where the Conservatives Thursday in August, 1872, keep open said books were too largely in the minority to be for the registration of any electors residing in

> ernor of North Carolina there is no more | not appear in the revised list. nominal Radical victory shall go there will doubt than that water will seek its level. ministration cannot afford to losr any State, maintain a majority. We therefore confi dently calculate that Merrimon will not be

But should this desperate course be resorted to it will avail the Granites noth-North Carolina has accomplished for ing. North Carolina is Democratic as cer-

[From the Philadelphia Age.] NORTH CAROLINA.

No matter whether Merrimon or Caldand that fact is still undecided, the Democrats and Conservatives have gained a substantial victory, and the Grantites met with a severe reverse in the first battle of the campaign. They claimed not less than of popular opinion: ten thousand majority for Caldwell. A few hundreds will, in all probability, divide (From Macon (Ga.) Telegraph and Messenger.) the candidates when the official count is

As to the Congressional election, that is a victory for the Democrats and Conserva-State set down sure for the renominationists, is a sure harbinger of a victory in November.

The Democrats and Conservatives have the Legislature by a handsome majority. substantial result of the late contest. * * * This result, in a State which, with the exception of 1870, has given Radical majorities ranging from nine to twenty-three

[From the N. Y. Herald.]

The result of the North Carolina election are concerned, and it is not yet known whether the State government is to be continued in the hands of the republicans, where it has remained ever since the reto be transferred to the democracy. It is a majority of the Congressmen and have carried the Legislature, thus securing a publican incumbent, John Pool; but on the counts than they have heretofore been | self Governor elect of North Carolina. since the close of the polls. However this may be, it is certain that the republicans have actually suffered a severe reverse in the first battle of the campaign, and even if they should succeed in saving their Gov-

ging to their future prospects. The whole federal and State patronage and the machinery of election were in the hands of the administration party. The THE ELECTION-JUDGE MERRIMON-HIS negro vote was united in support of the republican ticket, and when white citizens were known to be practically disfranchised through threats of prosecution on old inthe administration as it would have been the followers of Greeley than with any idea ded all over the United States, North and

[From the New York World.] The evidence of the colonization of ne groes by the administrationists into North Carolina, and the reception of their votes in spite of the protests of citizens of the State, has become so conclusive that none can doubt that this was the reliance of the supporters of Grant for saving that State. In addition to this it must be born in mind that the poll-books and the returns have been in the hands of the Grant men. The slowness of the reception of the returns has enabled them fo make their calculations how many votes must be added to this or that district to secure a majority. This manipulation has been going on, and if jority on their side. With voting imported doctoring of the returns for a week after the election, it will be a wender if they don't figure up a majority; but a majority

From the New York Tribune.] Within 24 hours after the North Carolina election, we published a table of personal benefit of those who fill the public actual and estimated returns of majorities by counties, indicating the election of Mr. | mowers for the Sultan of Turkey.

Merrimon by a majority of 575. We be-lieved then, and believe still, that this was below the honest result actually attained. Suspicions have been daily growing ever since of a purpose on the part of the Administration leaders to delay the returns from remote counties until there was time to figure up the result, and see what majority was needed to count Caldwell

The returns now in seem to show tion of right, and that "thrice armed is he who hath his quarrel just." There really 406. Even on this table, as now published, the election of Mr. Merrimon is probabie, since the Western counties yet to And what is the result? One of which the be heard from are very likely to have honestly cast a vote sufficient to overcome the apparent majority for Caldwell; but the desperation of the Administration leaders and the closeness of the contest are equally dangerous. Whatever the final count may show, we have already gained far more than we expected the day before the election, and have made sure of the State by a handsome majority in November. We believe that we have also hon-

ty-four hours after the election.

Illegal Registration The following card appeared in the Administration organ published in this city, in its issue of Thursday. August 1st:

estly carried it now by a majority fully as

great as that claimed in the Tribune twen-

A New Donge .- Marshal Canaday and myself did advise the Registrars to keep their books open last night until 80'clock. This was for the purpose of giving opportunity to those who had not registered to do so. This the Star calls "a new dodge." But it is simply a matter of business, a matter of right and interest within the land. If the Star wants to find a new dodge, let him refer to the "posting process," Respectfully,

The following extract from section 6 of the act in relation to Election and Registration, shows how utterly the law was disregarded:

And such registrars shall also, between the hours of sunrise and sunset on each day (Sundays exup to and including the day preceding the first We do not fear any ill effects from our able to counteract their nefarious proceed- such precinct or township and emitted to registration, whose names have never before been That Merrimon was fairly elected Gov- registered in such precinet or township, or do

The Conservative press of the State is testing the so-called election of Caldwell. flects the wishes of the people and is eminently just and proper under the circum- | riod. On the pine table stood a canule,

Let every fraud be exposed, no matter by whom it may have been committed, so that henceforth every man and every party great cause of the Constitutional party of | be debauched November will tell the tale | attempting to carry an election by unlawful measures, may do so with the full knowledge that there is a tribunal, both willing and able, to detect the crime and to bring the criminal to punishment. bullier old ram than what he was. Grandwell is elected Governor of North Carolina, When this is done, and not until then, will we have an old time-honest North Carolina election.

[From the Raleigh Sentinel.] We sincerely hope that our candidates will take immediate steps to contest the election if, upon the final count, it should turn out that Caldwell & Co. are elected. They owe it to themselves, they owe it to * * * Five anti-Grant men to the people, they owe it to the cause of a pure ballot to test this matter before the proper tribunal. Let the ballot box and the jury box become corrupt and there is no such thing as liberty or equity left.

[From the Raleigh News.] Ten fraudulent votes proven in each expose the hollowness of the office-holder's triumph. An average of a single illegal vote proven in each township will assure The doubt that hangs over the election | thousand majority, is a substantial defeat. | do you need to be urged to work in this of Governor of North Carolina does not de- North Carolina will vote for Greeley in good cause? You who live in the border counties must be particularly active. Numbers of negro voters from Virginia and South Carolina were poured in upon you. THE LESSON OF THE NORTH CAROLINA Expose these frauds. Collect testimony.

Keep a stout heart, and all will yet be well. In view of the facts and the conscientiis still in doubt so far as the actual figures ous conviction that a great wrong has been perpetrated on the people of North Carolina, we call upon Judge Merrimon to take the necessary steps to contest the election. He may have some elicacy about this, but it is not on his account that we ask. It is a duty that he owes to the people who conceded that the democrats have elected supported him, to the sanctity of the ballot and to the vindication of a great principle. Whether he or some one else occupy the United States Senator in place of the re- | seat or not is but a secondary consideration, but we do want the world to know State ticket each side claims to be ahead, the system of corruption and perfidy by the damocrats being less hopeful at last ac- virtue of which Tod Caldwell signs him-

[From the Tarboro' Enquirer.] In view of all these evidences of fraud and intimidation we unite with other portions of the press in urging upon Judge ernor the effect will be none the less dama- | well's election before the next Legislature, | and may God save the right.

[From the Newbern Journal of Commerce.]

The annexed article from the Wilmington Journal will be read with approvai by every Conservative in North Carolina: North co-operating with the Conservative to wrest North Carolina from the hands of Carolina should cease—that bribery and gin's wooden leg to stump around on; it elections, and that the guilty should be pin, but much she minded it. brought to punishment, and that Radicalism should be taught that it can no longer do these things with impunity and to party | so slow; said when she had company and

the Legislature, and let a thorough inves- a jug, and so she used to borrow Miss tigation of the recent election be had. If Jacob's wig-Miss Jacobs was the coffin the Radical act et has been elected by a peddler's wife-a ratty old buzzard, he majority of the legal voters of the State, was, that used to go roosting around where and if the returns of the several counties have been legally and properly made, then | that old rip would sit all day, in the shade, all, of every shade of political opinion, will give their concurrence to the inauguration | can'idate; and if it was a slow customer of the Radical State officers; but on the and kind of uncertain, he'd fetch his other hand, if it shall be found that gross rations and a blanket and sleep in the frauds and great informalities, for party coffin nights. He was anchored out that ends, have been committed, then let the Legislature so declare, and let it proclaim boldly, not only the wrong committed, but | waiting for him, and after that, for as much | who are the parties justly entitled to office for the coming four years.

Read the article from the JOURNAL.

[From the Rockingham Observer.] MERRIMON'S DEFEAT.

Just before going to press, we have the intelligence of the defeat of Merrimon by a very small majority. If it be true, that Caldwell will be found on an official count, they can keep the full vote back long to have a majority of votes, then we de-South was necessary for the safety of the enough they will no doubt figure out a mand of Judge Merrimon that he contest the election, for we do not believe that negroes by the hundred, and the exclusive | Caldwell received a majority of the LEGAL votes cast. If, on a fair investigation before the proper tribunal, it be established in evidence, that Caldwell is fairly elected, gaided in that manner is no victory, and then we shall acquiesce in their finding, will be more damaging to the Granites than otherwise, we shall not be satisfied, for the great amount of illegal voting practiced by the Radicals is shocking to a people making any pretensions to civilization.

Hartford, Conn., is making a dozen lawn

CFFICIAL RETURNS OF THE VOTE IN NEW HANOVER COUNTY.

		WILMINGTON.				Fed	K	H	Ca	GF	Ho	Ca	Co	Holl	1.0	1	Ro	T	
OFFICE AND CANDIDATE.		First Ward	Second Ward.	Third Ward	Fourth Ward.	Fifth Ward	deral Point	Masonboro'	rnett	Cape Fear	Grant.	Iolden	swell	Columbia	Пу	nion	incoln	Rocky Point	TOTAL VOTE.
OVERNOR	{ Merrimon	206 897	296 227 291	247 267	241 275		14 42	42 54	98 198	26 179			127 100	164 161	63	100	125 142		2,26
CONGRESS	(Waddell	207 891	291 230	248 266	239 273		14 42	32 62	98 196	24 183	125 138	65 62	158 67	162 163	70 60	141			3,56
ENATE	Mabson Price Scattering	806 283	$\begin{array}{c} 207 \\ 294 \end{array}$	223 265	240 246		39	26 58	179 82	36 164	133 109			169 165	85	TO 119	119 112	170 173	2,90
IOUSE	Heaton. McLaurin. Lloyd. Macomber. Reed. Bryan	813 283 279	200 288 280	222 233 224 253 210 262	212	441 439 195 196	39 38 39	29 28 27 57 56 61	168 184 178 84 95 93	43 162 43 152 152 32	133 133 132 109 109 127	82	65	158 159 159 162 162 168	1, 1, 1, 87, 86, 92	70 70 115	117 117 138 1-8	168	2,95 3,11 2,97 2,57 2,49 2,51
HERIFF	Scattering	803 285	221 280	233 258	261 239	443 198	42 2	34 59	167 102	16 187	125 122	45 82	73 154	153 170	90	70	119 141	166 176	2,97
REASURER	Brink Formell. Scattering.	800 289 2	212 303	221 280 1			39 17	30 66 1	165 122	39 161	131 131	82	68 160	149 169	108	150	115 149	172 171	2,88

It was always an aggravation to Jacobs

" He moved back to Indiany pretty soon

went to Wellsville-Wellsville was the

ing all that was-m-o-r-t-a-l-of-of-of-

Jim Blaine had been growing gradually

once, twice, three times-dropped peace-

fully upon his breast, and he fell tranquilly

was that happened to him and his grand-

father's old ram is a dark mystery to this

Worth and Worthlessness.

Conkling, Tom Murphy and John Pool.

Vanderbilt is fast failing in health.

Edwin Forrest has almost entirely recov-

Freshets are overflowing southern

Mr. and Mrs. Barney Williams are in

Tom Thumb is considered the best tar-

Turkey and Egypt have shaken hands,

Saratoga belles keep the ball rolling

A triangular contest for Mayor

ork is among the probabilities.

and are friends again.

the ten-pin alleys.

get-shooter in a small way in the country.

day, for nobody has ever yet found out.

W-i-l-l-i-a-m W-h-e.

the way that miserable old thing acted.

The other votes foot up:

For Register=Hill 2,736, Sampson 1,779, Harriss 66, Bunting 966, Bordeaux 116, Scattering 2.

For Coroner=Hewlett 5,560, Scattering 1.

For Surveyor=Colvin 2,742, Murphy 2,727, Scattering 2.

For County Commissioners—Martin 5,344, Shoemaker 2,978, Lowery 2,985 Morris 2,931, Black 2,958, Evans 1,116, Bordeaux 1,631, Nixon 2,472, Kellogg 2,376, Davis 2,623, Scattering 122.

The State ticket follows up, very closely, the vote for Governor.

JIM BLAINE, And His Grandfather's Old R.an. BY MARK TWAIN.

The boys used to tell me I ought to get one Jim Blaine to tell me the stirring story of his grandfather's old ram but they always added that I must not mention the matter unless Jim was drauk at the timejust comfortably and sociably drunk. They kept this up until my curiosity was on the track to hear the story. I got to nunting Blaine, but it was of no use, the boys always found fault with his condition; he was often moderately but never satisfactorily drunk. I never watched a man's condition with such absorbing interest, such anxious solicitude; I never so pined to see a man uncompromisingly drunk be-

At last, one evening I hurried to his cabin, for a learned that this time his situation was such that even the most fastidous could find no fault wit it-he was tranquilly, serenely, symmetrically drunk-not his brain thick enough to obscure his memory. As I entered, he was sitting upon an empty powder keg, with a clay pape in one hand and the other raised to command silence. His face was round, red, and very serious; his throat was pareand his bar tumbled; in general appearance and costume, he was a stalwart miner of the peand its dim light revealed "the boys sitting here and there in bunks, candle boxes. powder kegs, etc. They said: "Sh!-Don't speak-he's going to com-

THE STORY OF THE OLD RAM. I found a seat at once, and blame become again. There never was a more

father fetched him from Illinois got him from a man by the name of Yates-Bill Yates-may be you might have heard of The following extracts show the current and he was a rustler, too; a man had to get up rather early to get the start of old Thankful Yates; it was him put the Greens up to jining teams with my grandfather's when he moved West. Seth Green was probably the pick of the flock; he married a Wilkerson-Sarah Wilkerson-good cretur she was-one of the likeliest heifers heft a bar'l of flour as easy as I can a flap- Reserve Hagars; prime family, his family; up and enquired for the live. Mr. ins came a browzing around her, she let

trot in harness alongside of her. galoot by the name of Filkins-I disre- a hundred miles to tend the funeral. There wish you would go at one. one night, hooraying for Nixon becuz he would get twisted around in the socket, y-a-r-d-s-of three-ply-car-pet-contain- home. and look up, maybe, or out to one side, and every which way, while t'other one was looking as straight ahead as a spyglass. Grown folks didn't mind it, but It most always made the children cry, it was so sort of seary. She tried packing it in raw cotton, but it wouldn't work, somechildren couldn't stand it no way.

out and look so kind of awful that the "She was always dropping it out, and turning up her old dead-light on the company empty, and making them uncom- whenever he reached a certain stage of in- priety of "mixing up" with such people. day. fortable, becuz she never could tell when it popped out, being blind on that side, you see. So somebody would have to hunch her and say, 'Your game eye has fetched loose, Miss Wagner dear'-and then all of them would have to sit and wait till Merrimon the duty of contesting Cald- she jammed it in again-wrong side before, as a general thing, and green as a kird's egg, being a bashful cretur and easy, to another till his whisky got the best of sot back before company. But being wrong side before warn't much difference any way, becuz her own eye was sky-blue, and the glass one was yaller on the front, so whichever way she turned it, it didn't match nohow. Old Miss Wagner was considerable on the borrow, she was. When It is high time that election frauds and she had a quilting, or Dorcas Shety at her wholesale intimidation of voters in North | house, she generally borrowed Miss Hig-

"She said she couldn't abide crutches when she had company, beeuz they were things had to be done, she wanted to get Let then, we say, an appeal be made to up and hump berself. She was as bald as people was sick, waiting for them; and on a coffin that he judged would fit the way, in frosty weather, for about three weeks once, before old Robbins's place, as two years, Jacobs was not on speaking terms with the old man, on account of his disapp'inting him. He got one of his feet froze, and lost money, too, be uz old R.bbins took a favorable turn and got well.

"The next time Robbins got sick, Jacobs tried to make up with him, and varnished up the same old coffin and fetched it along with him; but old Robbins was too many for him; he had him in, and ries. peared to be powerful weak; he bought Le coffin for ten dollars, and Jacobs was o pay it back and twenty more besides it Robbins didn't like the cotfin after he'd tried it. And then Robbins died and at the funeral he bursted off the lid and riz up in his shroud, and told the parson to let up on the performances, becuz he could not stand such a coffin as that. You see he had been in a trance once before when he was young, and he took the chances on another, callating that if he made the trip it was money in his pocket, and if he missed fire he couldn't lose a cent. And by George he sued Jacobs for the rhino and got judgment and he set up the coffin in his parlor testing machine" to pieces in St. Louis. | stances." Ah, reader, I thought so, too,

and said he 'lowed to take his time, now. | WILL IT PAY A MINISTER'S MISTAKE.

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BY ELSIE EARNEST. place the Hogadoms was from. Mighty line family. Old Maryland stock. Old [From the Baltimorean | Squire Hogadom could carry around more Mr. Wilson was decidedly the most popmixed liquor, and cass better than most any man tever see. His second wife was ular minister with which the church at the wider inflings-she that was Becky Unionsville had ever been blessed. He Martin; her dam was Deason Dunlap's preached good sound gospel sermons, and first wife. Her oldest child, Maria, mar- his hearers' hearts were stirred by the fied a missionary, and died in grace-et up earnest love and charity, which ran through five miles to visit an outcast from society." by the savages. They et him, too, poor teller—biled him, It wasn't the custom, so denominations, and by sinners as well as they say, but they explained to friends of saints. The church flourished, the conis'n that went down there to bring away gregations were larger, and the finances in his things, that they'd tried missionaries a much better condition than at any preevery other way, and never could get any good out of 'cm -and so it annoyed all his The parsonage was in a wealthy and Mr. Allan turned back and grasped his lations to find out that that man's life fashionable neighborhood; and the miniswas fooled away just out of a dearned ex- ter's family were invited out to dinner, and lently that good might be accomplished by periment, so to speak. But mind you, to tea, while he was the life of every social this visit.

don't see the reason of does good if you sans reproche. vidence don't fire no blank ca'triges, boys. tive power of his actions. A lovely place he was surprised to hear the voice of pray-That there missionary's substance, unbe- was that village parsonage. Nature and er in the house. He entered and found knowns to himself, actuly converted every art vied with each other in making it a Mr. Allan kneeling by the side of the bed, last one of them heathers that took a worthy abode for God's cassen ministers- praying that the sick woman might have chance at the barbacue. Nothing ever a place suggestive of pure thoughts and an assurance that her sins were pardoned

betched them but that. Don't tell me it lofty aspirations. was ac idear that he was biled. There Let us visit it in beautiful May, when Armistead-one the world called noble and the air is burthened with the perfume of delighted to honor, with tears falling over "When my Uncle Lem was leaving up many lovely flowers, and the free and his clasped hands. Bitter as were his feelagin a scall dding once, sick or drunk, or happy songsters are caroling their songs of suching on Irsha as with a hod tuil of praise from the boughs of noble trees, ted him to tears; and when the minister bricks fill on him out of the third story and and in and around all seems peaceful and arose from his knees, he was sitting upon broke the old man's back in two places, pure.

People and it was a raccident. Much ex- It was a balmy afternoon. A sumptuestement was rased about that. He didn't ous dinner had been partaken of, and the neighbors, as rough as he had ever been, know what he was there for, but he was family, together with a young friend, were had gathered in and around the house, and there for a good originate. If he hadn't been seated on the piazza, engaged in pleasant there the Irisonum would have been killed. | converse. That young friend was Robert | Nomaly can ever make me believe anything Armistead, an intelligent and wealthy differ in from that. U cie Lem's dog was young faw student, who had halted between from Heaven and looking on with delight, there. Why define the frishman fall on two opinions for some time, almost per- ready to catch the tear of penitence, and the deg? Beazthe dog would a seen him suaded to become a Christian, and whom the first breath of saving faith, and bear a come a and short from under. That's Mr. Wilson was particularly as vious to get them to the throne of the All-Father, that him; his father was a deacon-Baptist - the reason the seg warm't appointed. A into his church. He was very fond of Mr. dog can't be depended on to carry out a Wilson's society and visited him very fre- of the dying woman. special providence. Mark my words, it quently, ever finding his conversation both was a part up t diag. Accidents don't hap pleasant and instructive. He had well "Uncl 1, ra's dog-I wish you could a vanities of this wicked vailed and unite seen that dog. He was a regular shep- with the Rev. Mr. Wilson's durch.

While thus pleasantly corraged, a man herd-or rather he was part bull and part shepherd-splendid animal; belonged to well known in the village and its vicinity. that was ever raised in old Stoddard, ev- Parson Hagar before Uncle Lem got him. as a rough, dissolute char a ter, living erybody said that knowed her. She could Parson Hagar belonged to the Western abject poverty and steeped in view, walked jack. And spin! Don't mention it! In- his mother was a Watson; one of his sis- The reverend gentleman a pind, "I am dependent? Humph! When Sile Hawk- ters married a Wheeler; they settled in Mr. Wilson, what do you a ant?" He re- neglected and hardened class, proving that Morgan county, and he got pipped by the plied, "My wife is very in; in. Brown him know that for all his tin he couldn't machinery in a carpet factory and he went says she can't live twenty-four hours. She through in less than a quarter of a minute; beard you preach once, and is very anxious "You see, Sile Hawkins was-no it his widder bought the piece of carpet that for you to go and pray with her before she warn't Sile Hawkins after all-it was a had his remains wove in, and people came dies. She is in great distres sit, and I member his first name; but he was a was fourteen yards in the piece. She The poor man seemed deeply distressed,

him just so-full length. The church was ty of going into such a neighborhood must though it was a primary; and old deacon middling small where they preached the be considered. The minister answered Ferguson up and scooted him through the funeral, and they had to let one end coldly, "I will see what I can do for you." window, and he lit on old Miss Jefferson's of the coffin stick out, of the window. The disconsolate hovel to which he was might have been destroyed, and his bril head, poor old filley. She was a good soul They didn't bury him—they planted invited was five miles distant, and in a liant mind left a prey to doubts and skepti--had a glass eye and used to lend it to one end, and let him stand up, same neighborhood noted for its or provity. The cism as long as he lived. old Miss Wagner, that hadn't any, to re- as a monument. And they nailed a Rev. Mr. Wilson, therefore, could not ceive company in; it warn't big enough, sign on it, and put-put on-put on it- excuse himself upon the plea that he had and when Miss Wagner wasn't noticing it sacred to-the m-e-m-o-r-y-of fourteen not the facilities for reaching the poor man's

tion which presented itself. Every in- others shunned, and was rewarded by stinct of his nature shrank from such low their rapid improvement. In a year there drowsy and drowsier-his head nodded associations, even for one hour. He con was a neat chapel buffit in their sulted his wife. She urged him to go, and midst, and the passer-by, who forgo quickly. He consented, provided merly heard oaths and rude jests, now asleep. The tears were running down the brother Jones, an old and influential mem- heard the songs of Zion, and saw an orderly how—the cotten would get loose and stick boys' cheeks—they were suffocating with ber of the church, would consent to accom- and neat community. The husband of suppressed laughter-and had been from pany him.

the start, though I had never noticed it. I toxication no human power could keep him A visit to such a place might injure his from setting out, with impressive unction usefulness, and excite remarks which to tell about a wonderful adventure which might render him less acceptable among he once had with grandfather's old ram- his own circle. That was sufficient to de- to steer his course, so as to offend none, he and the mention of the ram in the first ter him from moving another sted in a work forgot the precepts of his Divine Master, sentence was far as any man had ever of mercy.

heard him get concerning it. He always "It will not pay," was his comment as diminution of his congregations, and the maundered off interminably from one thing he returned home to inform the man that non-approval of those whose favor he he could not go. His refusal was not courted. him, and he fell asleep. What the thing smoothed in the least. An apology for not going with such a man would be out proval of this world. Those of whose of place. O! spirit of the meek and lowly | friendship we feel most secure, are some-Jesus, where dwellest thou?

the most worthless men of the country are Judge Chase, Charles Sumner, Lyman heeded it not. Was not he above his anger was the first to taunt him with being a Trumbull, Carl Schurz, Reuben Fenton, secure in the confidence of his propie? | man-pleaser, and complain of the disaffec William T. Sprague, N. P. Banks, Horace Greeley, Sam Bowles, Murat Halstead, fered to accompany him. He still refused, dozen accessions to his church he lost a Horace White, and the score of other lead- and gave as a reason that the general good score or more beside the confidence of his ing Republicans, who six months ago lent of the church required him to be very cir- brethren. Before the year closed he had force and dignity to that organization. cumspect. There were end-murded per become so unpopular that he was glad to Their true, great and good men are Oliver sons always watching a minister, and en- leave for a distant field of labor, where it Morton, Ben Batler, Simon Cameron, deavoring to bring some charge against is to be hoped that he has found it will him, which would damage his power for pay to do one's duty under all circumstangood, and bring reproach upon the church. ces regardless of the probability or even This reasoning might be very conclusive the certainty of what the worst persons to his mind, but his wife reas and from her | can say of him. instinctive feeling for distressed humanity, and, with tears coursing do . a Ler cheeks,

plead: "O, my husband, did our blessed Saviour hesitate to do good becaus. his subjects were poor and vile? Did he shrink from the touch of Mary Magdelene, though he had to cast out seven devils which possessed her? Do you not remember that to make political capital for the Ku-Klux when rebuked for eating with publicans law, by which it was hoped to carry the A man must be a puppy who would de- and sinners, he replied: "1 inna: not to sire any pleasanter dog-day weather than call the righteous, but sinte a to repentince:" and, do we not read that "there is

luential person, but a sinter. How can A bear was shot and killed at Kossuth, you hesitate? Even while I am pleading, Me., while making a dinner of blueber- a poor creature is dying and begging for the prayers of one of God's ministers." Tears nor prayers could not move him, though he felt and knew it was his duty, yet "Will it pay? interposed, and made Mr. Blaine probably wishes he had been him still refuse. While he might go, and

woman's soul by so doing, a dozen others pablic opinion should demand the release might be lost to this church. He thought it his duty to consider how he might ac-They now say that there are rubies and complish the greatest amount of good and sapphires, but no diamonds, in the Arizona get the greatest number of members into the church.

My readers may think the picture overdrawn. Some may say: "There never

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until cruelly undeceived by one in whose piety and self-denial I had perfect con-But we will proceed with the story. The young friend who was visiting the minister

witnessed the whole scene, and listened to the importunities of the wife, with pale face, as if his future peace depended on the result, until indignation forced him to seize his hat and leave very abruptly. He walked rapidly down the street to a house where a young minister, who had lately come among them as pastor of a new church, boarded with one of his churchmen. He knocked at the door, and asked for Mr. Allan, the minister. Mr. Allan was a quiet, rather retiring young man, extremely modest and not calculated to become very popular among people who admired fine social qualities or rhetorical flourishes in a minister.

He came out and politely asked Mr. Armistead to walk in. Mr. A. quickly informed him that a man had just left the village who was anxious to get a minister to visit and pray with his dying wife. Mr. Allan asked:

"Where is the place, and how far must "Five miles among the lowest class of persons in the State. Not many persons are willing to go to the neighborhood, though I thought I ought to tell you, as the man seemed so anxious."

" Not willing to go ?" was Mr. Allan's interruption. "My friend, can you think any place too low for a minister of the Gospel of Christ, or any person to visit on a mission of mercy? Is not one mortal soul worth saving? Not go? I should be afraid to refuse to answer so manifest a call of duty. Excuse me for a moment while I make a few necessary preparations. I have no horse and must walk, but that makes no difference, except that I may not be able to get there in time."

A smile lighted up Mr. Armistead's face, as he asked, "You surely would not walk " Certainly, sir, I would walk twice five miles to save an immortal soul."

"Wait a moment, Mr. Allan; I have a good horse and buggy, and will drive you there in a half hour, if you will accept the hand, as he thanked him and prayed si-

there ain't anything ever reely lost; every-thing that we ple can't understand and bonored and universally petted must be husband did, and when he got home, burn-Let us go to his home and see the mo- ward all who called themselves Christians, before she died. Near him knelt Robert ings when he reached home, the scene melthe side of the bed holding a hand of his dying wife, and weeping bitterly. Several were paying reverent attention to all the minister said. The scene was so pure and sacred, methinks the angels were leaning

The poor wife died, leaving the assurance that her sins were pardoned and the nigh decided to renounce the pomps and sting of death removed. The minister was requested to return on the morrow and read the burial service of his church. He complied with the request, and spoke words of condoct to the bergaved friends. When he left he was requested by several Wilson. them semetimes. His visit was appreciated, and opened new wells in the bearts of that there is some good in all, and that there are few, if any, cases of total depravity. A few weeks later Robert Armistead united with Mr. Allan's church. Mr. Wilson did his best to induce him to continue his visits to his house and his attendance at his church, but he had been so shocked stump—came into pra'r meeting drunk, was louiteen yards in the proprie- by the want of Christian spirit which he displayed, he shuddered to think of the probable consequences had Mr. Allan been of the same spirit. All faith in religion

the door might be opened to admit the soul

As it was, his influence was exerted for good, and a noble and useful Christian he proved. His gennine plety and unpretending goodness had their effect. He What must be do? This was the quest preached frequently for those people whom that dying woman was among the first who Brother Jones, it was ascertained was united with the church, and Mr. Allan had perceived that I was "sold." I learned from home, and would not return before the pleasure of baptizing him and his two then that Jim Blaine's peculiarity was that nightfall. Brother Smith doubted the pro- infant children into the church on the same

What of Mr. Wilson, the once popular preacher? Not many months served to prove him his sad mistake. While trying and had his reward in the very perceptible Very uncertain are the smiles and ap-

times our most formidable foes. Mr. The Rev. Mr. Wilson saw the look of Armistead's union with a church he was deep anxiety and wretchedness in the laboring to pull down, affected Mr. Wil-All the Radical papers now agree that man's face change to one of deadly hate son's popularity more than anything else Mrs. Wilson implored him to go, and of | tion in the church. Instead of gaining a

If it will pay even in this world, then how much more in the world to come! Buckingham C. H., Va.

The attention of the public is being at tracted to the unfortunate citizens of South Carolina, now imprisoned at Albany, New York, who were convicted and sent there Presidential election. But as Congress refused to re-enact the provision that allowed President Grant to suspend all civil joy in Heaven over one somer that real government in any part of the United penteth." It does not read a rich and in- States, at pleasure, the victims of the scheme might as well be now released. If guilty of any offences, they were such ordinary ones, as are punishable by the laws of every State in the Union. The proceedings against them, under the Ku-Kinx law, were wholly unconstitutional, and were intended for political effect. As a further rebuke of the attempt to es fablish a mili-'missed"-instead of hit-by Mr. Sumner. be instrumental in saving that poor tary power superior to the Constitution,

> Grand Haven, Mich., prnposes to be-come the Saratoga of the West. A boy preacher is illuminating the moral gloom of a Radical Georgia town.

The Radicals are having a series of livewas such a case. No minister would re- ly free fights among themselves in Missis-A healthy farmer's boy blew a "lung- fuse to visit a dying person under any cir- sippi, and several loyal voters have gone